



26th March 2019

Bernard J Durkan, TD Kildare North Constituency, Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

RE: PQ12620/19.

RE: To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which staffing levels in all categories at Naas General Hospital are adequate to ensure the effective, efficient and safe operation of the hospital; the number of positions available awaiting to be filled; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Durkan,

Further to your recent correspondence in reference to the above, I can confirm that the levels of all categories of staff in Naas General Hospital are reviewed on an ongoing basis. All staff are currently replaced when they resign or retire. These vacancies are filled in a temporary capacity, if there are staff available, until the posts are filled permanently. The current total number of positions available and awaiting to be filled is 11.5.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Alice Kinsella,

General Manager

Naas General Hospital

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